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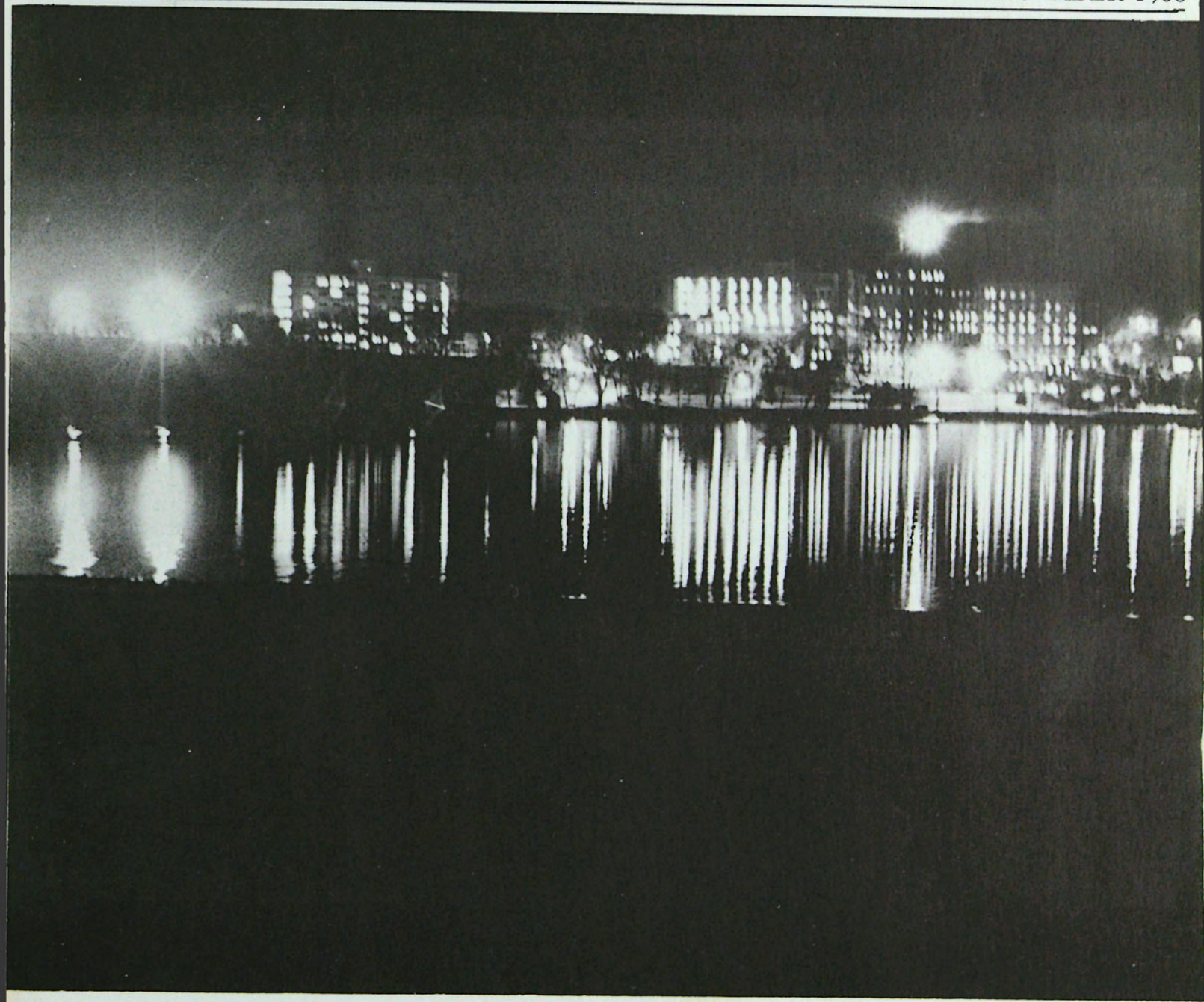
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From our Administrator...



GENE S. BAKKE

The Christmas Season is, most of all, a time of joy and Gladness. The source of this joy is the knowledge of God's love for mankind so clearly manifested in His sharing in man's life through the birth, life, and death of His Only Son. This joy is further expressed in love for our fellow men as we gather with friends and relatives to share in the celebration of the holiday season.

There is obviously and clearly a unique and special opportunity for us who work in hospitals to further spread the joy of Christmas through love for the patients we are here to serve and our fellow employees with whom we work.

From a recent survey of employee attitudes conducted here at Saint Cloud Hospital, we learned that 91% of the employees like their jobs and find that the people they work with are friendly and cooperative. This is a clear indication that there is a spirit of love and concern that pervades the human family in the hospital--a fact that should give all of us considerable measure of satisfaction.

We know that this spirit is not, and probably cannot be, neither perfect nor universal, but it provides us with a challenge and a great opportunity to maintain and improve upon the spirit of love that we know exists. Especially during the Christmas Season, but also throughout the year, we have the unique privilege of bringing joy to our patients, visitors, fellow workers, and all with whom we come in contact.

About The Cover...

OUR NEW SOUTHWEST WING IS AN IMPOSING STRUCTURE FROM ANY ANGLE DURING THE DAY, AND, AS THIS PHOTO PROVES, IS EVEN MORE SO AT NIGHT. MYRON HALL, PHOTOGRAPHER FOR THE ST. CLOUD DAILY TIMES, CAPTURED THIS SCENE FROM WILSON PARK ACROSS THE MISSISSIPPI, JUST BEFORE THE RIVER FROZE OVER EARLY THIS MONTH. MR. HALL SAID HE USED A SERIES OF TIME EXPOSURES TO GET "JUST EXACTLY THE OUTLINES AND REFLECTIONS" HE WANTED IN THE PICTURE. WE THANK HIM FOR ALLOWING US TO USE IT IN THE BEACON LIGHT.

A Christmas Message

BY FATHER PATRICK RILEY, CHAPLAIN

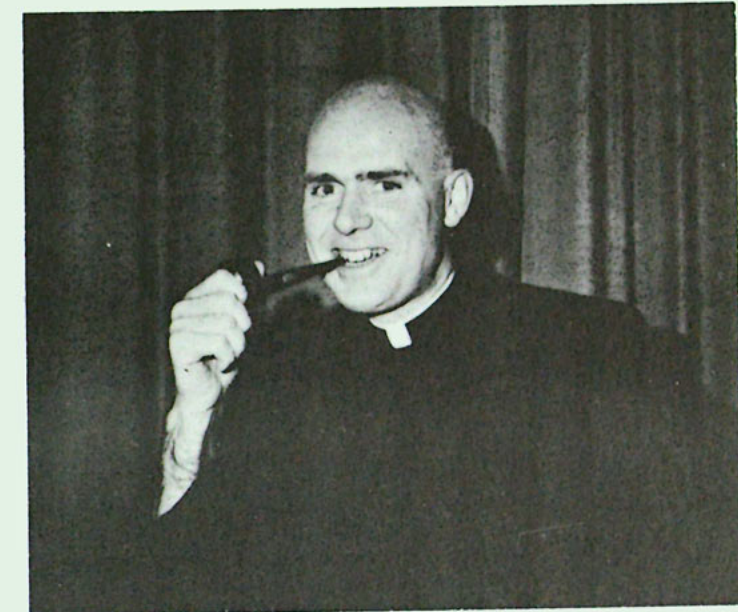
"Do not be afraid," said the Christmas Angel to the terrified shepherds. This must have been welcome news indeed to men who in fact were overcome with fear.

With pathetic eagerness we Christians of the bloody year of 1968 listen to this same angelic message, "Do not be afraid." But we are -- We are afraid with fear that men when they are bewildered, unsure, when it dawns on them with creeping numbness that they no longer have all the answers, the remedies that for so long served them so well. Only yesterday or the day before we knew what to do about poverty of so many (annual charity drive) about the Negro (be kind and he will be quiet), about war (so long as it is just). But now everything has come unstuck, and we are pelted with questions that find no dependable answers, and in every great issue we face alternatives between which no one seems able to decide--alternatives that all appear equally bad.

But the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid." "This day, in the City of David, a Savior has been born for you no other than the Lord Christ." Such is the good news, good news of a great rejoicing for the whole people, the reason why we should not be afraid. The difficulty is not so much that the good news will not be believed but that it will be misunderstood.

Christmas is a proper time to remind ourselves what the coming of Christ does not mean--what the Christian message does not imply--what faith does not guarantee.

The Christian paradox expressed most clearly in the Gospel saying about finding your life by losing it is all embracing. Christ is the answer to all questions but not the neat, tidy little answer we would like. Christ changes all things. "Behold I make all things new"--except that nothing appears so very difficult. Christ brings rejoicing for the whole people and "peace on earth to men



FATHER RILEY

that are God's friends"...but there are any number of honest people who this Christmas won't rejoice at all, and no one including "God's friends" seem to be finding peace on earth.

One answer to the difficulty is simply to say that the Christian good news is another foolish, false dream escape. An alternative response would be to examine the good news itself in the light of all the words and deeds and experiences of Christ. The tender infant sleeping on the manger straw is part of the good news. So is the shattered man hanging in torment on the cross. "He will wipe away every tear from their eyes and there will be no more death or mourning or cries of distress--no more sorrow" writes St. John about Christ. Nor will we be disappointed provided we do not overlook the tense of these verbs. As I look at the Gospel it tells us that evil is trying to find security by controlling things, putting trust in possessions. The whole concept of Christianity is trust in the Father, not in things. The great and beautiful feast of Christmas must not be turned into a sorrowful mystery. On the other hand we must not expect what He never promised--heaven on earth. A blessed feast to all.

Mental Health Unit Report

Forty-three patients were admitted to the new Mental Health Unit at Saint Cloud Hospital during its first eight weeks of operation, according to Dr. H. J. Brattensborg, Chief of Psychiatric Services. Depression was the most common diagnosis, with 22 patients admitted for that reason. Of the 43 patients, 28 were female and 15 male, with an average age of 38 years. Average stay in the unit was 10 days.

"As expected we had more women than men admitted to this new department," Dr. Brattensborg said. "This is not necessarily because they have more difficulties, but it's because women more readily admit they have problems and because it's easier for them to leave a household than it is for men to leave jobs."

He explained the day-night hospital care in which working men can be hospitalized only at night will become more popular here.

"We are very pleased with the coopera-



SISTER CARMEN MULCAHY, OSB, INSTRUCTOR AT THE SCHOOL OF NURSING FOR SEVERAL YEARS, SENT THIS PICTURE FROM MANCHESTER, NEW HAMPSHIRE, WHERE SHE NOW TEACHES AT ST. ANSELM'S COLLEGE. AT THE RIGHT IS HIS EMINENCE RICHARD CARDINAL CUSHING OF BOSTON, AND AT THE LEFT IS RIGHT REV. GERALD MC CARTHY, ABBOT OF THE MANCHESTER MONASTERY. THE CAMERA SISTER CARMEN IS HOLDING WAS A GIFT FROM HER FRIENDS AT ST. CLOUD HOSPITAL. SHE WRITES SHE IS ENJOYING HER WORK, BUT MISSES HER MANY FRIENDS HERE.

tion given us by the medical staff," Dr. Brattensborg concluded. "Twenty-two doctors have admitted patients during the first two months, and 34 of our patients have been seen by a psychiatrist."

Besides depression, patients were admitted because of overdose of various drugs, alcoholism, hysteria, headaches, hallucinations and anxiety.

The Mental Health Unit is a 30-bed department, located in the new Southwest Wing, which was completed in August as part of the \$10-million expansion program at Saint Cloud Hospital.

Glicken Writes For Nurse Journal

Morley Glicken, director of Social Service for SCH, has the honor of having an article on counseling published in the Journal of Psychiatric Nursing and Mental Health Services.



The article, titled "A Rational Approach to Short - Term Counseling" deals with the difficult task of finding an effective treatment approach for short term patients in a general hospital. Glicken holds a Master of Social Work Degree from the University of Washington and a Bachelor of Philosophy Degree from the University of North Dakota.

Used Equipment Auction

Used equipment, removed from the original hospital building as renovation has taken place during the past year, will be sold to SCH employees at an auction on January 11. Details on time and place will be announced later according to Sister Colleen, Administrative Assistant.

Included in the sale will be lockers desks, shelving, cabinets, sinks and counter-

tops, several patient beds, and other items.

These items are being stored in a temporary shelter near the carpenter shop, and in the garage over the carpenter shop.

Only employees will be allowed to bid during the auction. What is left will be offered for sale to the public.



KIDS, AND PARENTS IN PEDIATRICS ON FOUR-SOUTH WERE ENTERTAINED THIS MONTH BY SIX MEMBERS OF THE ST. CLOUD STATE COLLEGE GYM-NASTICS TEAM. ABOVE, THE YOUNGSTERS ENJOY A HAND-STAND BY JOHN TOBLER, SENIOR FROM MINNE-APOLIS. OTHERS WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE SHOW WERE GIL GILLESPIE, DAVE OLSON, STEVE GERHART, ED JOHNSON AND JERRY TOBLER.

Annual Report Published

The annual report of the work of St. Cloud Hospital, presenting a quantitative analysis for the 1967-68 fiscal year, will be ready for distribution in January.

The booklet, which will be mailed to employees and friends of the hospital, contains facts on patient care for the year, financial information, and data from other hospital departments.

National Hospital Week Dates

"Your Hospital...Pathway to Progress In Community Health," is the theme for National Hospital Week 1969.

Emphasis for the week will be on community health planning and the identification

of hospitals with the total delivery of health care throughout the community. The annual observance is scheduled each year to coincide with the birthday of Florence Nightingale.

Credit Union Can Help

Are you finding yourself short of cash this Christmas Season? Don't let this happen again next year! Start saving now with the St. Cloud Hospital Credit Union. What would be a nicer Christmas gift to yourself than being a member of the St. Cloud Hospital Credit Union?

We are happy to announce that since our office moved to its new location, downtown St. Cloud, our membership has been rapidly increasing. A large number of young people are finding that the credit union offers an easy and sure way of saving.



ARTIFICIAL LIMBS AND BRACES, AND THE LATEST TECHNIQUES FOR THEIR USE BY AMPUTEES, WERE SUBJECTS FOR THIS IN-SERVICE SESSION FOR NURSING STAFF AND PHYSICAL THERAPY PERSONNEL. SPEAKING BEFORE THE GROUP WAS MR. MAL PETERSON, C.P., REPRESENTING THE WINKLEY COMPANY OF MINNEAPOLIS, MAKERS OF LIMBS AND BRACES.

Employee Christmas Dinner

Employees of Saint Cloud Hospital were guests December 18 - 19 at the annual Christmas Dinner, held in the cafeteria. Also invited were Auxilians, Nursing students and Candy Strippers.

A chicken dinner was served by department heads, and door prizes and entertainment were provided.



OUR ARCHITECT, MR. AL FISHER, TAKES HIS "TEAM" INTO OUR NEW SURGERY DEPARTMENT TO CHECK OUR AN AIR-CONDITIONING PROBLEM IN THE OPERATING ROOMS. ALL DRESSED IN SCRUB SUITS, COMPLETE WITH CAPS, FOR THE "OPERATION." INCLUDED IN THE "SURGICAL TEAM" BESIDES FISHER, WHO IS SECOND FROM LEFT, WERE ENGINEERS, MECHANICAL CONTRACTORS, PLUMBERS, DUCT-WORK MEN AND REPRESENTATIVES OF THE HEAT-HUMIDITY CONTROL COMPANY. YES, THANK YOU, WE BELIEVE THE OPERATION WAS SUCCESSFUL.

Visiting Hour Reminder

Because of various problems, including the crowding of patients' rooms and visitors remaining beyond the evening time limit, all visitors are again asked to comply with visit-



A NEW SWITCHBOARD IS NOW IN USE AT THE SCHOOL OF NURSING, PART OF THE PHONE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENT FOR THE STUDENTS. BEGINNING WINTER QUARTER, EACH STUDENT STAYING AT THE SCHOOL BUILDING COULD ALSO HAVE HIS OWN PRIVATE PHONE. SISTER DELELLIS, SCHOOL RECEPTIONIST, IS SHOWN AT THE NEW BOARD. THE SCHOOL'S PHONE NUMBER HAS ALSO CHANGED. THOSE CALLING FROM THE OUTSIDE SHOULD DIAL 252-7300.

ing regulations at St. Cloud Hospital.

Visiting hours are from 11:00 a.m. to 8:30 p.m. on the general patient floors. In pediatrics department, parents only are allowed from 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. Grandparents may visit from 2:00-4:00 p.m. In the obstetrics department, visitors may see the mothers and new babies from 2:30-3:30 p.m. and 7:00-8:30 p.m. Husbands of patients in this department may visit at any time.

Visitors in the Coronary Care and Intensive Care Units are limited to the immediate family only, and are restricted to one 5-minute period each hour.



18 ALBANY STUDENTS, FROM BOTH JUNIOR AND SENIOR HIGH SCHOOLS, TOURED THE LABORATORY AND X-RAY DEPARTMENTS ON DECEMBER 7, THEN HEARD ABOUT A POSSIBLE FUTURE FOR THEM IN NURSING FROM MISS TECKLA KARN AND STUDENT CHUCK FULLER OF THE SCHOOL OF NURSING. ABOVE, THE GROUP LISTENS TO AL BLOMMER IN LAB. THEIR INSTRUCTOR IS MR. CHARLES GRIFFITH. WE WERE HAPPY TO HAVE THEM FOR THE AFTERNOON.

Counselors Hear S.C.H. Personnel

By T. J. McLaughlin

On Friday, December 6, personnel from Saint Cloud Hospital were given the opportunity to talk about their work to a group of school Guidance Counselors. All of us enjoy talking about our work and this group was no exception.

A panel of rehabilitation people discussed their respective professions and answered

questions about job opportunities, salaries, and how to get into the field. Some of our new professionals were on this panel, along with Mrs. Marian Becker from Physical Therapy, Mary Ellen West, Recreational Therapist; Jean Laudenback, Occupational Therapist; and Morley Glicken, Social Worker, joined Marian on the panel and gave the counselors a sneak preview of things to come with the completion of the Extended Care and Rehabilitation Facility.

Earlier in the day Harold Affeldt from X-ray and Claude Pryzbilla from the Laboratory described the technical phase of Health Careers. From the reaction of the Counselors it seems that Claude may be in demand for future talks because of his candid presentation.

Sister Sebastine discussed the different professions and occupations associated with Medical Records and Tom McLaughlin reviewed some of the administrative positions found in the modern hospital. The nursing professions were covered by Mary Bisenius of Veterans Administration Hospital and by Loretta Mathiewitz, an RN with the State Department of Education.

The meeting, which was sponsored by the Minnesota Hospital Association, was held at the Benedicta Arts Center at the College of St. Benedict. The purpose of the institute was to better acquaint high school guidance counselors with Health Careers so they can better advise high school students on their choice of careers.

Introductory statements were made by Dr. Stanley Idzerda, president of the College of St. Benedict and by Mr. Gene Bakke, hospital administrator, Saint Cloud Hospital.

Bed Utilization Plan

With the addition of a third staff social worker, the social service department has begun a routine evaluation of all Medicare and Medicaide patients admitted to the hospital. The purpose of this program is to help patients plan for discharge and to help them cope with financial or other social problems which might keep them in the hospital longer than is necessary. Early planning for discharge will hopefully free a significant number of beds otherwise occupied by patients waiting to find a nursing home or unable to return to the community because of family problems, lack of money, unemployment or no one to care for a patient in his home.

This program was originally proposed to the Patient Care Committee where it was unanimously accepted and later approved by the Executive Committee of the medical staff.



ANNUAL VENISON FEED - EVERY YEAR, THE MEN IN THE BOILER ROOM SHARE THEIR "HAPPY HUNTING" WITH FELLOW WORKERS. THIS YEAR, IT WAS DEER MEAT, BUT THE CREW HAS BROUGHT BACK MOOSE AND BEAR AS WELL. ENJOYING THE VENISON THIS YEAR WERE FRANK KARN, HENRY LUTGEN, DON KELLNER, RAY FRIEDRICKS (STANDING, A RETIRED EMPLOYEE WHO COMES BACK AS "COOK" EACH FALL) AND AL HARLANDER.

Our Record Of Service

	Admissions	Births	Operations	X-Rays	Lab. Tests	Emergency Outpt. Visits
November 1968	1,179	149	500	2,710	15,318	466
Jan. 1-Nov. 30 1968	13,699	1,653	6,628	32,975	181,669	4,970



COMPARED TO THE OLD LAB, SECRETARY QUARTERS IN THE NEW BUILDING ARE LUXURIOUS. ABOVE, FROM TO BACK, DOROTHY COURT, ADELA ANDERSON AND PERNINA BURKE ARE AT WORK.



AL BLOMMER, IN THE NEW UROLOGY LAB, CHECKS HIS FLOUROMETER. ALL PATIENT URINE SPECIMENS ARE EXAMINED HERE.

Department by Department . . .

Our New South Wing

THIS IS ANOTHER IN A SERIES OF PHOTO-STORIES ON DEPARTMENTS LOCATED IN THE NEW SOUTH WING WHICH WAS COMPLETED AND OCCUPIED IN AUGUST OF THIS YEAR. THIS MONTH, SISTER BRIDGET, OSB, DIRECTOR OF THE LABORATORY, WRITES ABOUT HER DEPARTMENT, ITS NEW QUARTERS AND EQUIPMENT. THE NEW LABORATORY IS LOCATED ON THE SOUTH END OF THE BASEMENT LEVEL OF THE NEW WING.

BY SISTER BRIDGET, O.S.B., DIRECTOR OF LABORATORY

The new laboratory at St. Cloud Hospital features a blending of the old, the not so old and the new.

The new includes eight-thousand square feet of space, which is over twice the size of the former facility located on 6th floor. Perhaps even more dramatic than the wide open spaces (both working and storage) are the new pieces of equipment that appear in the various areas of the laboratory. These include a new dishwasher in the Aides' area that is used to clean all shapes and sizes of laboratory glassware; the two almost too-comfortable donor chairs in Blood Bank; a new microtome for cutting tissue specimens; a complete Lab Tek system for the preparation and storage of tissue blocks, and if the present plans materialize, more gadgets are soon to appear to further enhance the working conditions in the Laboratory and hopeful to improve the quality of laboratory work.

The "not so new" includes the autoanalyzers, autocytometer, hemophotometer and other laboratory equipment now nicely housed in improved quarters with the required vented hoods and, most of all, room to spread out.

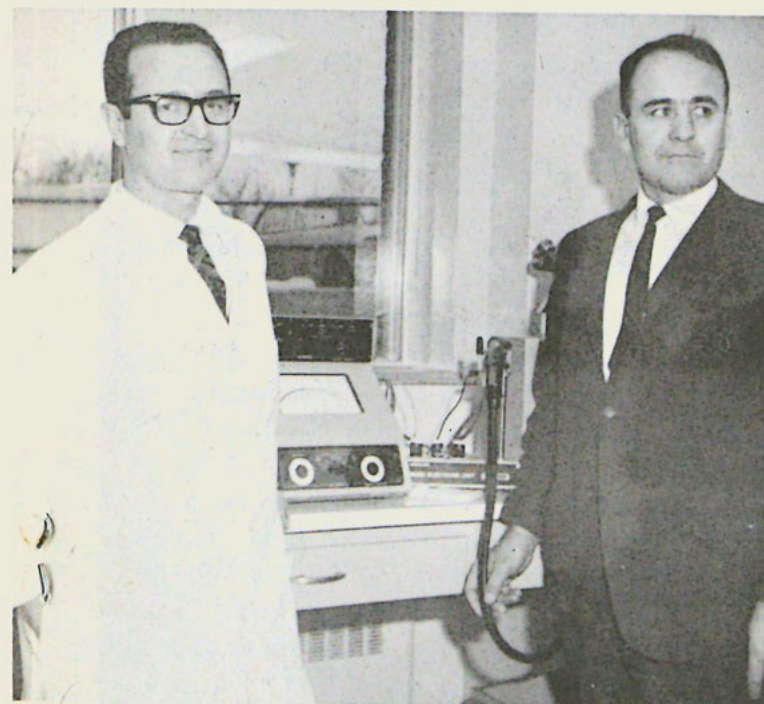
The "old" that remains are for the most part the familiar names and faces which are pretty much the same as in the past. However, we are hopeful that the old hands "doing their thing" in the new laboratory with modern equipment will benefit everybody who has use of these services.

By unanimous choice of the people who work there, the best improvement in the laboratory is the proximity to the employee parking lot...with the air conditioning running a very close second.

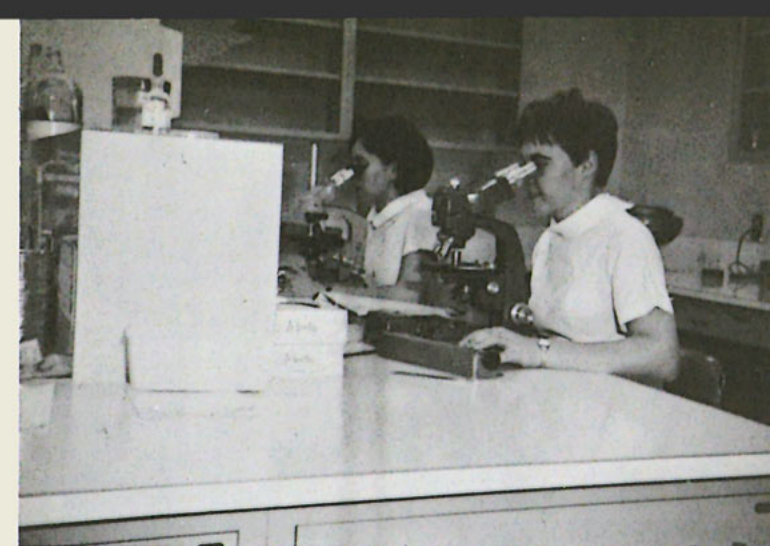


THIS IS PART OF THE LARGE STAFF IN LABORATORY AT ST. CLOUD HOSPITAL, A GROUP OF PEOPLE SELDOM SEEN BY THE PATIENTS THEY SERVE. THE LABORATORY, DIRECTED BY SISTER BRIDGET, EMPLOYS 42 MEN AND WOMEN TECHNICIANS WHO OFFER SERVICE 24 HOURS A DAY, SEVEN DAYS A WEEK. ABOUT 25 OF THEM ARE

PICTURED ABOVE. SISTER BRIDGET IS AT THE LEFT, AND HER ASSISTANT, CLAUDE PRZYBILLA, IS AT THE RIGHT. THIS DEPARTMENT ALSO CONDUCTS THE SCHOOL OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY, WHICH CURRENTLY HAS SIX STUDENTS ENROLLED.



DR. R. A. MURRAY AND DR. M. BOZANICH ARE THE LAB'S TWO PATHOLOGISTS WHO DO ALL HISTOLOGIC EXAMINATIONS OF TISSUE REMOVED FROM PATIENTS, SUPERVISE THE CLINICAL AREA OF THE LAB, AND PERFORM ALL AUTOPSIES.



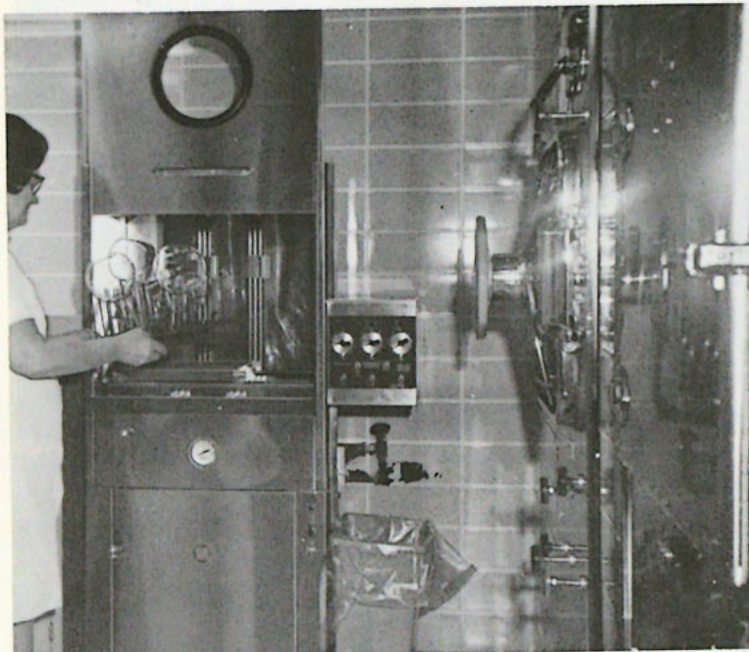
LAB PLAYS A VERY SPECIAL PART IN THE EDUCATION FUNCTION OF ST. CLOUD HOSPITAL. ABOVE, STUDENT MEDICAL TECHNOLOGISTS CAROLYN HENNEN AND AUDREY BUYSSE STUDY HEMATOLOGY SLIDES UNDER MICROSCOPES.



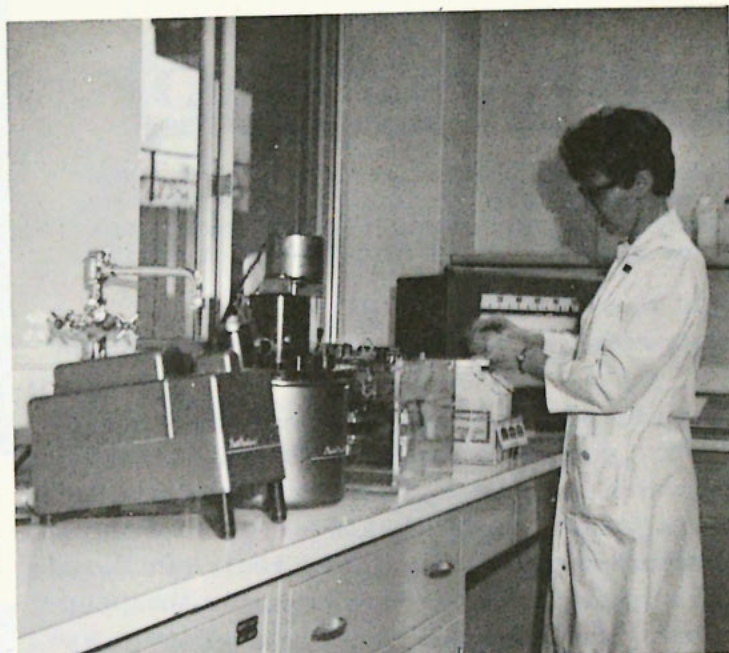
THE NEW BLOOD DONOR ROOM FEATURES THE NEWEST IN SOFT, RECLINING SEATS FOR THE DONOR. MARION SEVERT, ABOVE, PREPARES TO TAKE BLOOD FROM A DONOR.



IN BACTERIOLOGY, MARYJEAN STEFFL STEAKS A BLOOD AGAR PLATE TO SEE WHAT ORGANISM WILL GROW FROM A THROAT CULTURE.



NEW STERILIZING AND WASHING EQUIPMENT FOR THE LAB AREA. MRS. MILDRED SEITZ REMOVES A TRAY OF GLASSWARE FOLLOWING CLEANING.



JANE CEYNAR OF LAB PREPARES THE AUTO-ANALYZER FOR ITS DAILY RUN. THIS MACHINE AUTOMATICALLY ANALYZES BLOOD GLUCOSES.

New Social Service Worker Joins Staff

William E. Johnston, Jr., a native of Minneapolis, this month joined the staff of St. Cloud Hospital as a Social Worker in the Social Services Department.

A 1950 graduate of the University of Minnesota, "Bill" holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Public Administration.

Employed part-time by the Post Office in Minneapolis, Bill worked his way through high school and college, with a break during the war for service in the Army Air Corps.



MR. JOHNSTON

He contracted polio in 1953, and spent two years at Elizabeth Kenny Institute and Swedish Hospital Rehabilitation Center, much of that time in an iron lung.

Again employed in 1958, Bill became Director and General Manager for Minneapolis Office Services, providing an overload and letter shop service to the public and a transitional sheltered workshop for the handicapped. In 1965 this was merged into the Goodwill Industries which had planned to acquire new quarters and expand the program. Financial difficulties, however, forced closing of the service in October of this year.

Mr. Johnston and his wife have two sons, Steven, 8 and Dennis, 18. His family will remain in Minneapolis while the boys finish the school year.

Bill learned of St. Cloud Hospital's need for a Social Worker while attending a refresher and pre-service course for Social Workers at the Kenny Institute in November. Social Services Director Morley Glicken addressed the meeting and later invited Bill to apply.

Although he is able to drive a car, Bill's only means of transportation while at work will be his wheelchair.

WELCOME TO THE STAFF!

New in Nursing Service

Transcribers Aid S.C.H. Nursing Stations, Doctors And Nurses

Nursing station clerical personnel are being added to the staff of Saint Cloud Hospital, primarily to relieve the RN's from clerical duties so she can devote more time to patient care.

Called Transcribers, these employees cooperate with the Ward Clerks to:

1. Accurately transcribe doctors orders. They are very aware that every order they transcribe is responsible for someone's life. They enter new orders on the kardex for the nurse's use and pass changes in orders on to the respective team leaders via the team card, or personally if an immediate order.
2. Notify the respective departments of the hospital to carry out a doctor's order. The department is called immediately if



CATHY MOLINE, TRANSCRIBER ON FIVE-WEST, IS ONE OF 16 NEW EMPLOYEES WHO FILL THIS NEW POSITION. TRANSCRIBERS WILL COORDINATE PAPER WORK AT EACH STATION, WITH FULL COVERAGE BEGINNING IN JANUARY.

the order is to be done at once, or a requisition is sent if the procedure is for the following day. The transcriber is responsible to order all daily laboratory work as ordered by the doctor.

3. Orders all supplies necessary to carry out the procedures. Often the orderlies are consulted regarding traction and male patient's necessities.
4. Replenishes medications daily for the individual patient and for emergency stock supply. All new medications are ordered when the original order is transcribed.
5. Reports all new and/or unchanged diets of all patients routinely during the day to the dietary department.
6. Assembles charts on all new admissions. Disassembles the charts on all discharges. Transcribers transfer the charts, medications and kardex when a patient is moved elsewhere. Each doctor is informed via a transfer notice.
7. Keeps the charts in proper and working order.
8. Charts temperature, pulse and respirations on all patients, calling any abnormalities to the RN's attention.

Hopefully, transcriber coverage will be from 7:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. seven days a week.

To prepare, each new transcriber has a two-week period of general orientation and practice transcribing orders in the classroom. A one-week orientation in the ward follows.

By the first few weeks of 1969 all nursing stations should have their clerical needs met.

News From



Class Officers Elected At School of Nursing



SENIOR CLASS OFFICERS AT THE SCHOOL OF NURSING ARE, LEFT TO RIGHT, BARB AHMANN, SECRETARY; MARY JO HADRLIK, TREASURER; MARY HAMPER, REPRESENTATIVE; MARY GRESSER, REPRESENTATIVE, AND LINDA KUTZERA, VICE PRESIDENT. PAT SPANIER, PRESIDENT, WAS NOT PRESENT FOR THE PICTURE.



JUNIOR CLASS BRASS — HEADING THE SECOND YEAR GROUP AT THE SCHOOL OF NURSING ARE KAREN PHILLIP, STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE; KAREN SCHMIT, VICE PRESIDENT; STELLA ANDERSON, SECRETARY; JEAN THOMES, PRESIDENT, AND KAREN GOSSEN, TREASURER.

EACH YEAR, STUDENTS OF EACH CLASS IN THE SCHOOL OF NURSING ELECT CLASS OFFICERS TO REPRESENT THEM IN VARIOUS WAYS DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR. THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN SELECTED TO SERVE FOR THE 1968-69 ACADEMIC YEAR ARE PICTURED ON THIS PAGE.

ALL ACTIVITIES AT THE SCHOOL OF NURSING, ALTHOUGH OFTEN SPONSORED BY A PARTICULAR CLASS, ARE COORDINATED BY REPRESENTATIVES OF ALL THE CLASSES AS SCHOOL FUNCTIONS, NOT CLASS FUNCTIONS.

SOME OF THE ACTIVITIES ALREADY HELD DURING THIS YEAR ARE THE JUNIOR CLASS ROLLER SKATING PARTY, A BIG-LITTLE SISTER CHRISTMAS PARTY, AND A CHRISTMAS DINNER, SPONSORED BY THE HOSPITAL. SOMETIME THIS WINTER THE SCHOOL WILL SPONSOR A SEMI-FORMAL DANCE.

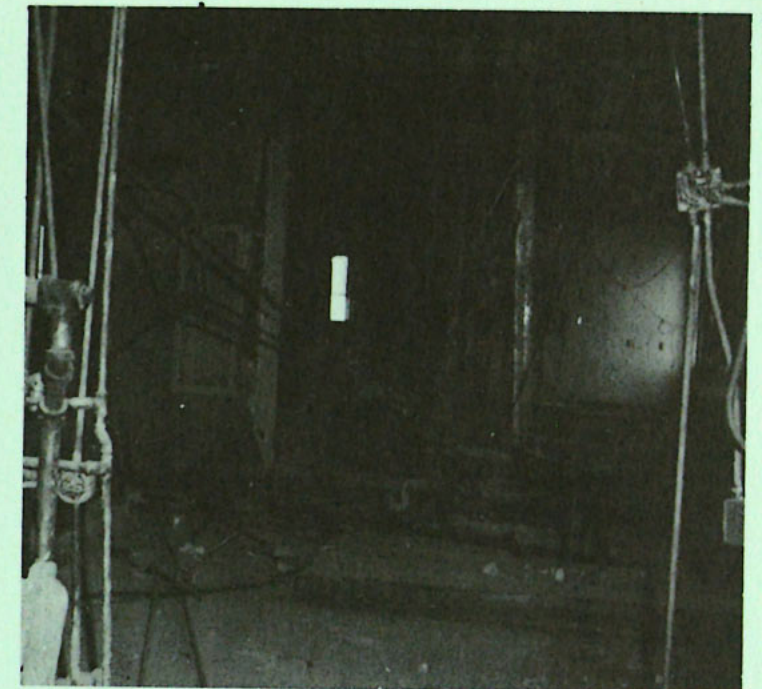
AS AN EXTRA ACTIVITY THIS YEAR, THE FRESHMAN CLASS IS PROVIDING FOOD, TOYS AND TREES FOR CHRISTMAS FOR FOUR WELFARE FAMILIES IN THE AREA.



SCHOOL OF NURSING FRESHMEN ELECTED THESE FIVE STUDENTS AS CLASS OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR. STANDING ARE JIM SCHWARZ, VICE PRESIDENT; SUE MIRABITO, SECRETARY, AND MARY PATYK, STUDENT COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE. SEATED ARE JUDITH ATHMAN, TREASURER, AND SUE CLASSEN, PRESIDENT.



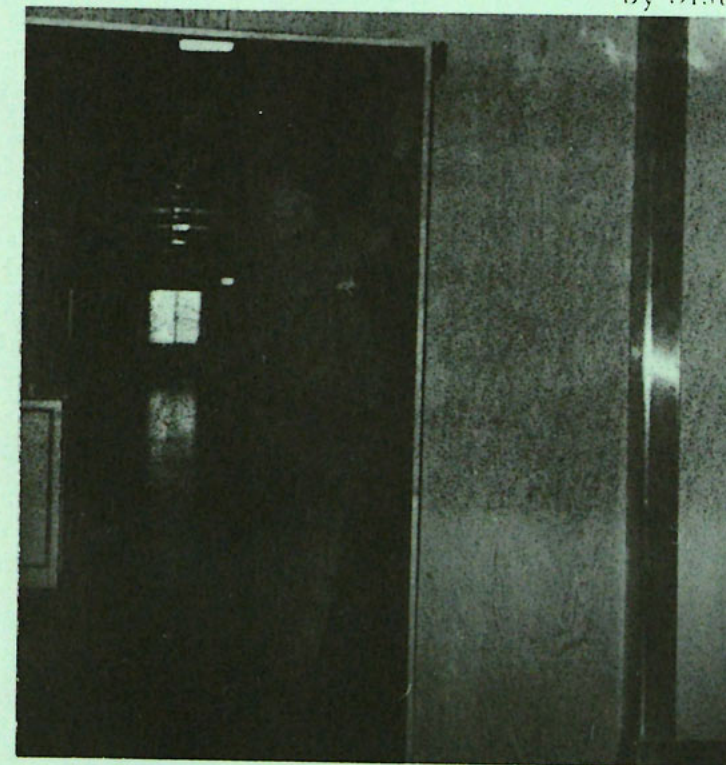
THE NEW EXTENDED CARE FACILITY GROWS DESPITE THE COLD WEATHER. THE FIRST FLOOR STRUCTURE IS THERE AND THE SECOND FLOOR IS BEING POURED. THIS \$2½ MILLION WING WILL BE FINISHED IN 1970.



A JUNGLE OF PIPES, ELECTRICAL CONDUIT AND DUCTWORK IS ALL THAT REMAINS IN THE OLD X-RAY DEPARTMENT ON THE 6TH FLOOR. WE HOPE THE RE-CONSTRUCTION GOES AS FAST AS THE DESTRUCTION.

A Construction Report

by Sister Colleen



THE CHECKERBOARD GAME CONTINUES! PEDIATRICS WILL BE LOCATED ON 1-SOUTH FOR ABOUT TWO MONTHS BECAUSE CEILINGS IN THE ROOMS ON 4-SOUTH ARE BEING REMOVED SO PLUMBING CAN BE EXTENDED TO THE NEW PATIENT ROOMS BEING INSTALLED ON FIFTH AND SIXTH FLOORS. HERE, AL MASELTER FINISHES THE TEMPORARY HALL DOOR TO 1-SOUTH. THE PEDIATRICS PEOPLE MOVED DOWN ON DECEMBER 11.



HOPE IT WILL GROW? THIS WHEELBARROW OF DEBRIS, REMOVED FROM THE WALLS AND CEILING ON FIFTH FLOOR IN THE ORIGINAL BUILDING, IS WATERED DOWN TO MAKE IT LESS DUSTY WHEN IT IS DROPPED THROUGH THE CHUTE TO A TRUCK BELOW IN THE FREIGHT ENTRANCE DRIVE.



SISTER JOAN

Introducing . . .

BY MRS. DONNA STRACK

IF YOU HAVEN'T ACTUALLY SEEN HER YOU'VE SURELY SNIFFED THE YUMMY SMELLS COMING FROM HER DOMAIN -- THE BAKERY.

FORMALLY -- MEET SISTER JOAN SCHAFER, SHE WAS BORN IN MAYHEW LAKE, MINNESOTA, WENT TO SCHOOL THERE, AT ST. BENEDICTS, AND GRADUATED FROM TECHNICAL HIGH SCHOOL HERE IN ST. CLOUD. IN 1955 SISTER BEGAN WORKING RIGHT HERE AT OUR HOSPITAL -- IN THE BAKERY. AFTER TWO YEARS HERE THE COLLEGE OF ST. BENEDICT USED HER TALENTS IN THEIR BAKERY. LATER SHE SERVED AS COOK AT WATKINS, WHITE EARTH, AND ST. PETER'S PARISH HERE IN ST. CLOUD. TO COMPLETE THE CYCLE SHE CAME BACK TO THE ST. CLOUD HOSPITAL BAKERY, THIS TIME AS SUPERVISOR.

SISTER HAS TWO THINGS SHE LIKES "TO DO THE MOST" DURING HER FREE TIME. SHE LOVES TO VISIT PATIENTS ESPECIALLY THE CHILDREN IN "PEDS." HER SMILE AND CHEERFUL, WINNING MANNER MUST REALLY PERK THEM UP. AND, SHE MAKES BEAUTIFUL GREETING CARDS AND NOTES, USING MANY AND VARIED MATERIALS TO COMPLETE THEM. SHE IS ALSO A FAVORITE AMONG HER CONVENT SISTERS, FAMOUS FOR THE JOKES AND GOOD COMPANY SHE OFFERS.

Just Thought We'd Ask . . .

BY AL BLOMMER

"What Were You Doing December 7, 1941?"



DR. M. BOZANICH, M.D.

"I WAS A MEDICAL STUDENT AT THAT TIME IN SHABATZ, YUGOSLAVIA. WE WERE RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF A FIERCE POWER STRUGGLE FOR CONTROL OF THE CITY. AT THAT MOMENT THE GERMAN'S HAD CONTROL, BUT THE PARTISANS AND THE COMMUNISTS HAD SURROUNDED THE CITY, AND WERE SHELLING IT AROUND THE CLOCK. WE WERE EXTREMELY BUSY AS WE WERE RECEIVING ALL THE WOUNDED, BE THEY CIVILIANS, GERMANS, PARTISANS, OR COMMUNISTS. THIS MADE OUR JOB EVEN MORE DIFFICULT, BECAUSE WE HAD TO SEGREGATE THEM CAREFULLY OR THEY WOULD CONTINUE THE BATTLE IN THEIR ROOMS, AND KILL EACH OTHER. IF THINGS WEREN'T BAD ENOUGH, TO MAKE THINGS EVEN MORE EXCITING, THE HOSPITAL WAS ALSO BEING RAKED BY MACHINEGUN FIRE AND HIT BY MORTAR OR ARTILLERY FIRE."

SISTER BENORA, O.S.B.

"AT THE TIME I WAS A MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIST IN CHARGE OF THE LAB IN BISMARCK, NORTH DAKOTA. IT WAS ONE OF THOSE TERRIBLY BUSY DAYS AND I HAD JUST SAT DOWN FOR A MOMENT TO REST WHEN THE NEWS CAME ON THE RADIO, PEARL HARBOR HAD JUST BEEN BOMBED. THE SHOCK WAS ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE, IT WAS LIKE THE WORLD COMING TO AN END. THERE WERE NO OTHER DETAILS AVAILABLE SO WE HAD TO DRAW OUR OWN CONCLUSIONS, UNTIL WE COULD GET ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FROM THE NEWSPAPER THE NEXT DAY. IT ALL SEEMS LIKE A BAD DREAM NOW."



ART BATES -- COOK

"WE WERE OPERATING A RESTAURANT IN DODGE CENTER, MINNESOTA, AND WHEN IT WAS ANNOUNCED THAT THE JAPANESE ATTACKED PEARL HARBOR ALL OF US FELT PRETTY BAD BECAUSE OUR COUNTRY WAS GOING TO WAR. TWO MONTHS LATER I JOINED THE NAVY AND SERVED FOR 4 1/2 YEARS IN THE PACIFIC."

FRANK KARN -- ENGINEERING

"I HAVE BEEN HERE OVER 40 YEARS, BUT I STILL REMEMBER THAT DAY. I WAS ON DUTY HERE AT THE HOSPITAL. WHEN I HEARD SOMEONE SAY 'THE JAPANESE JUST BOMBED PEARL HARBOR'. I TURNED ON OUR RADIO AND LISTENED TO THE NEWS BROADCASTS WHICH WERE COMING ON ABOUT EVERY THREE MINUTES. VERY LITTLE WORK WAS DONE THE REMAINDER OF THAT DAY. I CAN REMEMBER THAT DAY AS CLEARLY AS IF IT HAPPENED ONLY 'YESTERDAY.'"



EMIL DZIUBINSKI, M.D.

"IT WAS ONE OF THOSE RAINY, OVERCAST DAYS LIKE AN OMEN OF IMPENDING DISASTER. I WAS ONLY IN GRADE SCHOOL AT THE TIME, BUT I CAN STILL CLEARLY REMEMBER THE DETAILS OF THAT DAY. WE WERE ATTENDING A CHURCH RAFFLE WHEN IT WAS ANNOUNCED THE JAPANESE HAVE JUST BOMBED PEARL HARBOR. EVERYONE LEFT IMMEDIATELY, AND WENT HOME TO LISTEN TO THE NEWS ON THE RADIO. THE PRESIDENT DID NOT MAKE ANY ANNOUNCEMENT UNTIL SOME TIME LATER, SO ALL WE COULD DO WAS DRAW OUR OWN CONCLUSIONS AS TO THE SIGNIFICANCE OF THIS EVENT."

LIGHT BEAMS FROM THE BEACON

Not Too Bad

The proud father congratulated his son on his 13th birthday and asked how it felt to be a teenager. "It's all right I guess," he said, "except for the reputation."

Check Him Out

An immigrant walked into a New York bank and approached the guard. "Pardon—I'd like to talk with the fella who arranges loans." "I'm sorry," the guard replied, "but the loan arranger's out." "Maybe then," said the immigrant, "I could talk to Tonto."

Out of Commission

"Your husband needs a lot of rest," the doctor told the wife. "Here's some sleeping powder." "When shall I give it to him?" the wife asked. "It's not for him," the doctor said, "it's for you!"

Treed Off

The parachutist was dangling from an oak tree. "I was trying to make a record," he told the farmer. "Reckon you did it, stranger," the old man replied. "You'll be the first man in these parts to climb down a tree without climbing up it."

See Here, Lady!

A frowning woman walked up to a little boy she caught smoking: "Does your mother know you smoke?" "Lady," he countered, "does your husband know you stop and talk to strange men?"

Do not attempt to do a thing unless you are sure of yourself; but do not relinquish it simply because someone else is not sure of you.

—STEWART E. WHITE



"It didn't look so big until we got it home!"

False Colors

"Gentlemen prefer redheads," he sneered. "But I'm really not a redhead," she confessed. "That's okay," he remained sneering. "I'm not really a gentleman."

Broad Beamed

"How come your feet are so big?" "Well, I used to live out West, where the soil was rich, and going barefooted so much just naturally made them grow big." "You must have done a heap of setting down, too."

On Second Thought

"Why haven't you ever married?" the party hostess asked the eligible bachelor. "Well, I'll tell you," he replied. "I'd rather go through life wanting something I didn't have, than having something I didn't want."

Follow the Leader

"Do you feel that you have influenced public opinion, sir?" the reporter asked the politician. "Not really," came the reply. "Public opinion is something like a mule I once owned. In order to keep up the appearance of being the driver, I had to watch the way he was going and follow closely."

Look Again

We are constantly amazed at those young things with their fancy hairdos and skin-tight pants. And the girls are even worse!

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